

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I am reading	I am not dancing	Am I writing?
You are reading	You are not dancing	Are you writing?
He is reading	He is not dancing	Is he writing?
She is reading	She is not dancing	Is she writing?
It is reading	It is not dancing	Is it writing?
We are reading	We are not dancing	Are we writing?
You are reading	You are not dancing	Are you writing?
They are reading	They are not dancing	Are they writing?

Use:

To talk about actions happening:

- now, at the time of speaking;
- around the moment of speaking, not necessarily this very moment;
- in a near future, especially for planned actions.

Form:

to be + gerund
 Present Simple (am, is, are) verb+ing form

Gerund = Infinitive + -ing

E.g.: drink + ing = drinking
 watch + ing = watching
 listen + ing = listening

1. Verbs ending in -e:

E.g.: have – having
 write – writing

2. Verbs ending in -ie:

E.g.: die – dying



3. Verbs with **one syllable** ending in **one vowel** followed by **one consonant**:

E.g.: run – running
swim – swimming

EXCEPTIONS: Ending in **one vowel** plus:

-y – buy – buying
-w – show – showing
-x – fix – fixing
-z – buzz – buzzing



This is how you ask and answer about what people are doing now

What	am I are you is he is she is it are we are you are they	doing?	I am You are He is She is It is We are You are They are	dancing. eating.
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A. Build up sentences following the model.

Charles / drink / coke
He is **drinking** coke.

Charles / not drink / coke
He **isn't drinking** coke.

Charles / drink / coke / ?
Is Charles drinking coke?

1. I / read / magazines

2. Peter and Mary / watch / TV

3. She / play / basketball

4. He / not / learn / chess

5. You / swim / in the river / ?



B. Ask and answer according to the model.

Mr Johnson / phone

Q.: What **is** Mr Johnson **doing**?

A.: He **is phoning**.



1. The baby / cry
Q.: _____?
A.: _____
2. Mathew and Linda / dance
Q.: _____?
A.: _____
3. Pam / swim
Q.: _____?
A.: _____
4. Bob / cook
Q.: _____?
A.: _____
5. The children / run
Q.: _____?
A.: _____

C. Follow the model.

Q.: Is Alice **playing** the piano?

A.: Yes, she **is**.

No, she **isn't**.

1. Mary / water the garden
Q.: _____?
A.: Yes, _____
2. Mr and Mrs Taylor / eat
Q.: _____?
A.: No, _____
3. The pupils / read
Q.: _____?
A.: No, _____
4. Bill / study
Q.: _____?
A.: Yes, _____
5. Philip / watch TV
Q.: _____?
A.: No, _____



D. What are they doing? Look at the pictures and write. Use the verbs and expressions in the box.

eat sing fight run sleep play listen to music
dance cook read study watch TV



1. She _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



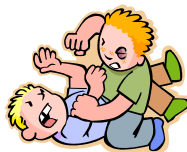
5. _____



6. _____



7. _____



8. _____



9. _____



10. _____



11. _____



12. _____



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